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SECVISIT 30TH UNGA (BACKGROUND FOR SECRETARY'S MEETING TODAY

WITH EXTERNAL AFFAIRS COMMISSIONER GARBA)

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SUBJ: FMG PROMISES RETURN CIVIL RULE IN FOUR YEARS

1. IN SHORT ADDRESS TO NATION ON OCCASION 15TH ANNIVERSARY
NIGERIAN INDEPENDENCE, HEAD OF STATE BRIGADIER MURTALA MUHAMMED
PROMISED RETURN TO CIVIL RULE BY OCTOBER 1, 1979 AND OUTLINED
FIVE STAGE POLITICAL PROGRAM TO ACHIEVE THIS GOAL. HE ASSURED
NATION THAT WHILE GOVERNMENT WOULD PLAY "DOMINANT" ROLE IN
MODERNIZING ECONOMY THERE WOULD BE ADEQUATE SCOPE FOR
PRIVATE ENTERPRISE. MUHAMMED ASSERTED INDISCIPLINE IN PUBLIC
SERVICE, PORT CONGESTION AND INFLATION WERE SYMPTOMS OF DEEPER
MALAISE IN NIGERIAN SOCIETY. ASSURING PUBLIC SERVANTS THAT MAJOR
EXERCISE IN RETIREMENTS AND DISMISSALS HAS NEARLY BEEN COMPLETED,
HEAD OF FMG ANNOUNCED CREATION CORRUPT PRACTICES BUREAU AND
PUBLIC COMPLAINTS COMMISSION TO MAKE SURE PURGES IN RANKS OF
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CIVIL SERVICE ARE PERMANENT REFORMS. THERE WAS NO RPT NO

MENTION FOREIGN AFFAIRS OR INTERNATIONAL ISSUES.

2. FOR DEPARTMENT: DETAILS OF FIVE STAGE POLITICAL PROGRAM AND
COMMENT FOLLOW SEPTTEL.
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